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The prognostication of an early spring suggested in the previous Bulletin was verified by the exceptionally mild and clear weather throughout the month of March and up to about April 29. Apple trees then in blossom on the campus were about one week in advance of the average time of flowering – May 2-4. Snow fell on April 30, checking and injuring the tender foliage of many trees like the tulip or belated maples where buds were but lately unfolded. Cold or wet weather has followed this period to the present time, May 9, so that the gains in most plant growth registered at an earlier date have been more than counterbalanced by the severe check received during the past fortnight.

SPRING BIRDS (not previously reported).

(9) Wild Duck (species not determined), March 15 L.S.RR. Cleveland to Buffalo, Rept. By H.C.King.

(10) Bufflehead or Butter-Ball duck, March 31. Seen resting and feeding in Wade Park pond (Euclid Ave.) for two days.

(11) Canada Goose, March 15. Rept. By H.C.King as above; Cleveland (30) by R.L. and R.G. Thomas.

(12) Pigeon Hawk, Rept By H.C. King as above.

(13) Cowbird (50) March 31. Obs. by Mr. James, Wade Park.

(14) Junco or Blue Black Snowbird (partly winter resident), Wade Park, obs. by Mr. James.

(15) Flicker, March 24, Cleveland. March 27, Wade Park, Dr. Hulme; March 31, Noble Road, Cleveland Heights (many).

(16) Mourning Dove, March 26, Rockerfeller Park. Obs. Dr. Hulme.

(17) Fox Sparrow, March 26; as above.

(18) Towhee Bunting, March 26; Campus College for Women; obs. Dr. Hulme; Rockerfeller Park, Mr. James.

(19) Vesper Sparrow, March 28 (1); Rockerfeller Park; Mr. James.

(20) Hermit Thrush, March 28; as above.

(21) House Wren, March 29, Doan Brook. Obs. Dr. Hulme; Wade Park, Dr. Stoll.

(22) Savannah Sparrow, April 4, Noble Road.

(23) Brown Thrush (male), Noble Road, singing in rather high trees.

(24) Chestnutsided Warbler, April 19; Gates Mill, Obs. Mrs. Miller.

(25) Black and White Creeping Warbler, April 28; East Cleveland, Obs; Miss Hartman.

(26) Florida Gallinule, April 29 (one); found dead in grass, Noble Road, by Dr. and Mrs. Ruedy.

(27) Sora or Carolina Rail, May 6; dropped out of tree, probably wounded by shot; rept. By Miss Middleton, Mayfield Road, Cleveland Heights, and Mr. Preyer.

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Nesting of Robin

Young Robin found under nest on Campus near Main Building of Adelbert College; estimated age 5 days; time occupied by building nest and laying eggs, 5 days (estimated); incubation, 14 days, total 24 days; date of beginning nest (estimated) April 15.

Incubation begun in another nest, Noble road, build on crate, supported by brackets under eaves of Barn, May 3. This nest begun (estimated), April 29.

Youngstown (0) Vindictor, July 25, 1908.

MIGRATION LIST OF BIRDS THIS CITY AND VICINITY DURING SPRING 1908.

By George L. Fordyce.

The following list is made up from my report of the bird migration for this locality to the department of biological survey at Washington.

It represents careful observation during the migration season, as my records show that I was in the field some time each day from March 12 to May 16, with the exception of four days.

In comparison with my list during the spring season of 1907, there are several species that were listed a year ago that were not observed this year. On the other hand, several species were listed this year that were new to the list for this Locality. This may be accounted for to a considerable extent owing to the fact that several species of water birds stopped over at the Struthers dam that heretofore have not stopped near here.

On April 27, 68 species were listed; on May 12, 85 species were listed, and on May 24, 83 species. The night of May 11 was a migration night, and the morning of May 12, several new species were listed and all others were more common than any time during the season.

I wish to give due credit to Rev. S.F.Wood and Professor E.A. Gilmore, who helped to make this record more complete than it otherwise would have been. The list includes 112 species, and while some of those listed may be observed at times during the entire winter, I am satisfied that this record applies to birds that were actually on their migration.

NAME OF BIRD	1ST SEEN	NO.	NEXT SEEN	COMMON	LAST SEEN	BREEDS
American Robin	Mar. 4	2	Mar. 6	Mar. 8		Yes
Bluebird	Mar. 4	3	Mar. 6	Mar. 12		Yes
Canada Goose	Mar. 4	50				No
Red-shouldered Hawk	Mar. 5	1	Mar. 13			Yes
Killdeer	Mar. 6	1	Mar. 7	Mar. 15		Yes
Red-winged Blackbird	Mar. 6	40	Mar. 13	Mar. 13		Yes
Meadowlark	Mar. 7	1	Mar. 8	Mar. 12		Yes
Bronzed Grackle	Mar. 7	3	Mar. 8	Mar. 12		Yes
Towhee	Mar. 13	3	Mar. 16	Mar. 16		Yes
Fox Sparrow	Mar. 13	2	Mar. 14	Mar. 27	May 10	No
Phoebe	Mar. 14	3	Mar. 20	Mar. 26		Yes
Rusty Blackbird	Mar. 15	100	Mar. 25		Mar. 25	No
Mourning Dove	Mar. 17	1	Mar. 30			Yes
Golden-crowned Kinglet	Mar. 17	4	Mar. 20	Mar. 26	Apr. 28	No
American Woodcock	Mar. 20	1	Apr. 4			Yes
Cooper Hawk	Mar. 21	1	Mar. 27			Yes
Winter Wren	Mar. 23	1	Mar. 27		May 9	No
Field Sparrow	Mar. 24	1	Mar. 27	Apr. 4		Yes
Great Blue Heron	Mar. 24	1	Apr. 22			
Cowbird	Mar. 25	9	Mar. 27	Apr. 5		Yes
Vesper Sparrow	Mar. 25	7	Mar. 26	Apr. 14		Yes
Marsh Hawk	Mar. 25	1	Apr. 6			Yes
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	Mar. 26	1	Mar. 27	Mar. 28	May 6	No
Wilson Snipe	Mar. 26	2	Mar. 27		May 4	No
Hermit Thrush	Mar. 27	6	Mar. 29	Apr. 9	May 8	No
American Scaup Duck	Mar. 31	1	Apr. 1		May 16	No

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Holboell Grebe	Mar. 31	1	Apr. 1	Apr. 1		No
Brown Thrasher	Apr. 1	1	Apr. 8	Apr. 14		Yes
Chipping Sparrow	Apr. 1	3	Apr. 6	Apr. 20		Yes
White-throated Sparrow	" 1	1	Apr. 4	Apr. 29	May 14	No
Blue-winged Teal	Apr. 5	2	Apr. 25		May 1	No
Loon	Apr. 5	1	Apr. 6		Apr. 6	No
Buffle-head	Apr. 6	1	Apr. 7		Apr. 14	No
Mallard	Apr. 6	1	May 1		May 1	No
Pied-billed Grebe	Apr. 6	3	Apr. 7		May 6	No
American Golden-eye	Apr. 6	1			Apr. 6	No
Old Squaw	Apr. 8	1			Apr. 8	No
Horned Grebe	Apr. 8	4			Apr. 8	No
Herring Gull	Apr. 8	2			Apr. 8	No
Chimney Swift	Apr. 8	1	Apr. 25	May 5		Yes
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	Apr. 11	2	Apr. 12	Apr. 14	May 16	No
Wood Thrush	Apr. 13	2	Apr. 24	Apr. 25		Yes
Blue-headed Vireo	Apr. 13	1	Apr. 15		May 12	No
Purple Martin	Apr. 13	2	Apr. 14			Yes
Bartramian Sandpiper	Apr. 13	2	Apr. 14			Yes
Broad-winged Hawk	Apr. 14	1	Apr. 17	Apr. 21	May 12	No
Rough-winged Swallow	Apr 14	2	Apr. 16			Yes
Louisiana Water-thrush	" 14	1	Apr. 21			Yes
Water-thrush	Apr. 14	1	Apr. 18		Apr. 23	No
Baldpate	Apr. 14	4			Apr. 14	No
Tree Swallow	Apr. 16	10	Apr. 18			Yes
Barn Swallow	Apr. 16	2	Apr. 18	Apr. 25		Yes
Spotted Sandpiper	Apr. 18	1	Apr. 22	Apr. 22		Yes
Black-throated Green Warbler	Apr. 18	3	Apr. 22	May 13	May 20	No
Myrtle Warbler	Apr. 19	5	Apr. 21	May 27	May 16	No
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	" 21	1	Apr. 26			Yes
Yellow Warbler	Apr. 23	1	Apr. 26	May 8		Yes
Black-throated Blue Warbler	Apr. 23	1	May 6		May 16	No
Warbling Vireo	Apr. 24	1	Apr. 27			Yes
House Wren	Apr. 24	1	Apr. 27			Yes
Palm Warbler	Apr. 24	2	Apr. 27		May 15	No
Catbird	Apr. 24	3	Apr. 25	Apr. 25		Yes
Crested Flycatcher	Apr. 24	1	May 3			Yes
Black and White Warbler	" 25	1	Apr. 27	May 7	May 14	No
Baltimore Oriole	Apr. 25	3	Apr. 27	May 3		Yes
Olive-backed Thrush	Apr. 25	1	May 1	May 7	May 22	No
Yellow-breasted Chat	Apr. 25	1	May 8			Yes
Bobolink	Apr. 25	1	Apr. 26	May 10		Yes
Red-headed Woodpecker	" 26	2	Apr. 27	May 13		Yes
Ovenbird	Apr. 26	6	Apr. 27	Apr. 27		Yes
Grasshopper Sparrow	Apr. 26	3	Apr. 27			Yes
Blue-winged Warbler	Apr. 27	1	May 6		May 6	Yes
Little Green Heron	Apr. 27	1	May 1			Yes
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	" 27	5	May 3		May 6	Yes
Wood Pewee	Apr. 27	1	May 14			Yes
Blackburnian Warbler	Apr. 27	2	Apr. 29	May 15	May 20	No
Bay-breasted Warbler	Apr. 27	1	May 13		May 20	No
Turkey Vulture	Apr. 27	9	May 3		May 3	No
Yellow-throated Vireo	Apr. 28	1	Apr. 29		May 14	No
Golden-winged Warbler	Apr. 29	1			Apr. 29	No
Bank Swallow	Apr. 16	2	Apr. 18			Yes

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White Crowned Sparrow	May 1	1	May 5		May 14	No
Lesser Yellow-legs	May 1	2			May 1	No
Prothonotary Warbler	May 3	1			May 3	No
Wilson Thrush	May 3	1	May 6		May 18	No
Kingbird	May 4	1	May 8			Yes
Nashville Warbler	May 5	1	May 12		May 14	No
Magnolia Warbler	May 5	1	May 7	May 14	May 16	No
Swamp Sparrow	May 5	1			May 5	No
Chestnut-sided Warbler	" 6	1	May 7		May 16	No
Northern Yellow-throat	" 8	2	May 9		May 11	Yes
Greencrested Flycatcher	May 8	1	May 12			Yes
Ruddy Duck	May 9	8			May 9	No
Whipporwill	May 9	1	May 11			Yes
American Redstart	May 11	1	May 12			Yes
Scarlet Tanager	May 11	1	May 12	May 12		Yes
Solitary Sandpiper	May 11	2	May 12		May 12	No
Black-billed Cuckoo	May 12	1	May 14			Yes
Indigo Bunting	May 12	1	May 13			Yes
Canadian Warbler	May 12	2	May 14		May 16	No
Gray-cheeked Thrush	May 12	3	May 20		May 20	No
Red-eyed Vireo	May 12	4	May 13	May 14		Yes
Least Flycatcher	May 12	1	May 14			Yes
Wilson Warbler	May 12	1	May 13		May 16	No
Nighthawk	May 12	1	May 15			Yes
Tennessee Warbler	May 13	1	May 14		May 14	No
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	May 13	1	May 14			Yes
*Bohemian Waxwing	May 13	4	May 14			No
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	May 14	1				Yes
Cape May Warbler	May 14	1			May 14	No
Mourning Warbler	May 14	2			May 14	No
Black-poll Warbler	May 14	5	May 15		May 20	No
Parula Warbler	May 14	2	May 15		May 16	No

*My first and only record for the Bohemian Waxwing.